THE BELL RINGER

Honor, Student Council Aims Set Forth



No Startled Gasps, Says Stengel

TOTOMOI TAPS FIVE

As a result of the spring tapping , Totomoi, MBA's honorary fraternity, possesses its largest membership in three years.

The spring tapping was carried out by members Brock Baker, Webb Earthman, Sam Fentress, Howard Frost, and Rick Ownbey. Those inducted were juniors Scott Brittain and Marc Stengel; sentiors Frank Garrison and John Brooks; and Mrs. Mary Helen Lowry, a faculty member.

Founded in 1964 by Dr. R. L.

Elam to Use Poll, Open Meetings

By John Elam

There has been some question as to the function of the Student Council at MBA.

Referring to the Constitution of

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"a. to provide a forum for student expression through which each student while at Montgomery Bell Academy may contribute of his own thought and service to the continuous improvement of the school

"b. to serve as a liaison between the student body and the fa-uilty as air effective representative of the desires and wishes of all students by serving wherever possible as an advisory committee on student policies

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"c. to encourage a sense
of responsibility among the
students for understanding,
appreciating, and helping
to maintain and perpetuate
the fine traditions and noble ideals of Montgomery
Bell Academy."
As head of this Student Cour

ives, not emphasizing or disregarding any of the three. Hopefully, we can also perform other duties such as initiating, suggesting, and encouraging student projects and activities. The focus, though, will be on listening to the student body, representing the student body, representing the student body, and disciplining those who demand it.

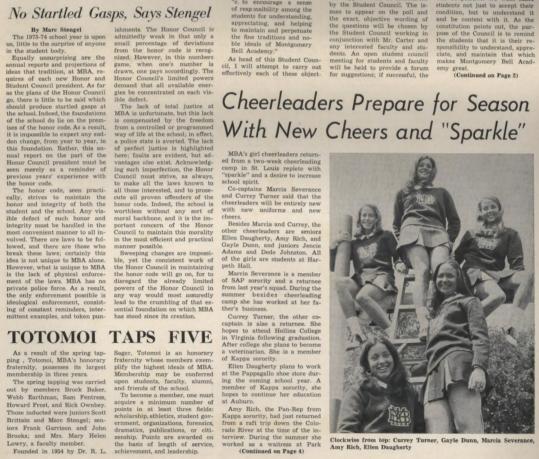
To provide a means for student expression through which each student may contribute his thoughts, this Student Council will conduct a poll dealing with specific and concrete issues, with the clear understanding that this specific and concrete issues, with the clear understanding that this specific and concrete issues, with the clear understanding that this specific and concrete issues, with the clear understanding that this specific and concrete issues, with the clear understanding that this poll would prevent the arising of a tempts at reform which have no substantial support; will be established by the Student Council. The issues to appear on the poll and the exact, objective wording of the questions will be chosen by the Student Council working in conjunction with Mr. Carter and any interested faculty and students on the part of the previous forms which have no continuation of the actions of the student council and its poll is not meant to strue pripes, but to stimulate usession of the student Council will not represent an apathetic student student body. This is merely a warning. General apathy within the students body. This is merely a warning of a tempts of the previous student Council. The result would be negative. The objective of this suese to appear on the poll and the exact, objective wording of the questions will be chosen by the Student Council working in conjunction with Mr. Carter and any interested faculty and students onto the council working in conjunction with Mr. Carter and any interested faculty and students onto the previous desired from the faculty and students onto the student student council and its poll is not faculty alies are proving the faculty al

ther's business.

Currey Turner, the other cocaptain is also a returnee. She
hopes to attend Hollins College
in Virginia following graduation.

After college she plans to become
a veterinarian. She is a member
of Kappa sorority.

Ellen Daugherty plans to work
at the Pappagallo shoe store during the coming school year. A
member of Kappa sorority, she
hopes to continue her education
at Auburn.



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turity. MBA students should be intelligent and resourceful enough to find ways to enjoy themselves without being disruptive and de-

Student Council Aims (Continued

In an attempt to represent the students, the Student Council must act as a liaison between the student body and the faculty. This liaison will best be accomplished by establishing a relationship of mutual respect and understanding between the Council and the faculty and between the Council in the communication of resonable ideas. Student Council members will be placed on the appropriate committees for the representation of student opinion and the students viewpoint on questions of student opinion and the students by their Student Council will depend not only on the attitude of the Council itself, but also on the attitudes of the student body, the faculty, and Mr. Carter.

It has been suggested that the Student Council will depend not only on the attitude of the Student Council at MBA has some power in that it has the power of explaison, with faculty, and executive approval. However, as president of this Council, I would feel much more powerlever, as president of this Council, I would feel much more powerlever, as president of this Council, I would feel much more powerlever, as president of this Council, I would feel much more powerlever, as president of this Council, I would feel much more powerlever, as president of this Council, I would feel much more powerlated, seem to be the four major areas in which a student can get into trouble at school.

When a student experiences serious problems in either of the latter two areas, discipline, and attitude, he immediately becomes involved with the Student Council and the Student Council and the students on the students consider to the students on the students on the students of the students consider to the students on the student to questions the story of the students on the student to questions the story of the students on the student to questions the story of the students on the student to questions the story of the students on the story of the stu In an attempt to represent the udents, the Student Council

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John Bow, class of 1973, placed
third in the nation at the National
Student Congress held June 1721 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
This tremendous achievement
capped a very successful season
for Bow. In November, he and
debate partner James Brown won
first place at the annual Georgia
Invitational Debate Tournament
held at the University of Georgia.
Bow was selected the outstanding
speaker at that tournament. In
March, the team of Bow and
Brown finished second in the
NyEL, District tournament, the
qualifying meet for the national
tournament. The team that beat
them, Overton's Rocky Schrader
and Joe Tankersly, went on to the
quarter-finals at the nationals.
On May S, the District Student
Congress was held in the state
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Congress which facile participants from all over
Tennessee as well as from Mississippi and parts of Alabama, is setup to aquaint interested students
with the workings of Congress.
Bills are submitted to various
to the meet is spent debating and
then voling on the bills. Bow was
selected the best opeaker for the

Senate, making him eligible for the national tournament. Bow's showing was the best ever by an MBA student in a national tournament. Because of his excellent achievements in the field of forensics, he has been awarded a partial scholarship to the University of Georgia.

In other forensics news, the first MBA-Overton Debate Workshop was held June 11-22. The workshop, directed by Mrs. Selma Ridgway and Mrs. Ann White of Overton, had 40 participants from eight local schools and a team each from Alabama and Georgia. The final day of the two-week workshop was a four-round debate tournament which was won by MBA's Steve Zager and his Overton teammate.

Mrs. Ridgway ranked the workshop "as good as any in the country" because of the high caliber of the instructors, one of whom was the director of the Barkley Forum in Atlanta, one of the most distinguished speech tournaments in the country. MBA graduate Charles Bond who, as a senior went to the national NFL tournament in debate, was another of the instructors.



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Students Shake Apathy; More Become Involved

A recently released study by a husband-wife psychologist team shows that students who are allowed to participate in school affairs are less prone to drug use than those who are allenated from their schools. The couple, Audrey and Louis Flumen, said in their doctoral dissertations that "schools have to be made a less allenating environment. Students should be given a greater say in school—through student government. They should be asked their feelings on curricula."

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MBA has taken a positive step towards involving the student in recent years. The Student Council is finally growing to mean something as the apathy that infected students, not only at MBA but all across the country, in the sixties is being shaken off. MBA students are beginning to "get involved;" they are becoming more interested in the environment in which they spend nearly six years of their lives.

Unfortunately, the Student Council has a long way to go to achieve any real importance at MBA Mr. Carter, when he jokingly referred to the request for pencil sharpeners and extended

privileges as "momentous" occurences, made a valid and important point: Up until that time,
these two requests were momentous compared to the actions of
dead Student Council as a representative body was being ressurceted.

Student Council presented to
The council

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This year the BELL RINGER would like to encourage more students to contribute to the newspaper, either in the form of articles or a "Letters to the Editor" column. No longer will it be necessary for students who wish to write an article to be on a staff. Any student can hand in his article to any BELL RINGER editor. All views will be taken into consideration; there will be no "one-sided" reporting.

Because of the increase of student involvement and support, the editors expect that this year's newspapers will be larger than those of previous years. Hopefully, there will be no "one sheeters."

Unfortunately, the infrequency of issues dictates that news be given a rather minor role. The emphasis will be on features, with an expansion of in-depth interviewing and unusual articles. Also, the BELL RINGER is proud to announce the birth of "The Gent," an original cartoon by Will Akers. In addition, there will be an arts page edited by Rupert Palmer, which will include original-prose-and-poetry-by MBA students. By giving students an outlet for their creativity, we hope to continue the work of the Blue Guitar—in a limited to Palmer.

The editors feel that these improvements will increase interest and involvement in the newspaper as well as making it a more viable publication.

Students Involved in Drama Workshop



Mark Kelly and John Wampler in "Mouse"

The Cheekwood Drama Work-shop, which involved many MBA students and alumni, completed its fourth annual summer session both greatly expanded and im-proved.

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Through the efforts of former MBA teacher Terry Holcomb, founder and executive director of the Workshop and now resident director of the Germantown Players in Memphis, membership was increased to over 100 in all divisions, with approximately 85 increased to over 100 in all divisions, with approximately 85 increased to over 100 in all divisions, About 15 of these participants were MBA students or alumni. The Tennessee Botanical Gardens and Fine Arts Center donated the use of an old care-taker's cottage, which was renovated by, and served as head-quarters for the Workshop.

The staff included Holcomb, who taught playwriting and directing classes; Phil Reagan, directing classes; Phil Reag

rector of dramatics at David Lipscomb College, who taught advanced and beginner's acting;
Jetta Gilligan, who taught improvisational and Readers' Theater
courses and was in charge of the
Saturday Showcases; John B.
Murrey, former director of the
Nashville Children's Theater, who
taught adult classes; and Liz
Williams, who was in charge of
the Creative Dramatics division.
Due to the greatly increased
number of participants in the
Workshop, emplasis was shifted
from the weekly Saturday Showcases of sketches, scenes, and
improvisations to the final productions of larger plays. Accordingly the Cheekwood Theater
Festival was formed, consisting of
three major productions and a
special show.

The Lion Who Wouldn's

special show.

The Lion Who Wouldn't, a musical for children directed by Murrey with choreography by

Val Moody, included recent MBA
alumnus Andy Stumb, who played
the Lion, and junior Bob Tosh.

The Rainmaker, a tragicomedy
directed by Reagan, had in the
cast alumni Jim Shapiro and
John Wampler. The cast of The
Mouse That Roared, a comedy
directed by Holcomb, also starred
Shapiro, in the male lead role as
Tully Bascomb, and Wampler,
along with alumni Mark Kelly
and Vaden Lackey, Tosh and
sophomore Oman Weiland. In addition, the Red Balloon Players,
a Children's Theater group from
Memphis, appeared in a special
performance in conjunction with
the Workshop,
Other members of the Workshop from MBA who performed
technical work in the Festival included alumnus Mike Moynihan
and senior David Wells.



Oman Weiland as Laslo

Armchair Moviegoers Guide

Recent Films Reviewed

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MAN OF LA MANCHA—4. Something is wrong but we don't know yet what it is. Sets are excellent and technique seems good. Individual actors are good but the cast sometimes doesn't quite floogether. Not having seen the stage play (always an advantage to the viewer, if not to the critic) we can find little need for improvement.

THE POSEIDON ADVENTURE -5. An excellent, epic yet unified, suspenseful adventure with a remarkably coherent and united story line. With one possible exception (NOT Shelley Winters), acting is excellent. Technically ingenious.

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THE SOUND OF MUSIC—4.

Good as always, no matter what

you say.

PAPER MOON—4. Excellent
period piece; sets, script quite
good. Only drawback is the weakness of Ryan O'Neal, especially
when his daughter and the minor
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HITLER: THE LAST TEN
DAYS—3. Here again something is wrong. The young officer does not fulfill as important a function

The following films seen recently we have chosen to grade, with comments, on a five-point scales follows:

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SOUNDER—4. An excellent depiction of a kind of life not often touched upon. A period piece, and a good one, with perhaps only one jarring element. Acting all fine; parts are perhaps a bit didactic. See it with a friend. THE WORLD'S GREATEST ATHLETE—3. At times over-cute, over-typical, and over-disnified (sic), this film does display moments of brilliance. Humorous and good for "family entertainment."

ABOUT THE ARTS PAGE

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This "page" of the BELL RINGER is dedicated to "The Arts," that nebulous term used to lump together literature, drama, music, and "art" as such—painting, drawing, sculpture, etc. Concern for "The Arts" at MBA has only recently been revived, and although the Arts program suffered a serious setbock in the past school year, there is much hope that this yeage" will be the best ever. It is also hoped that this "page" will spearhead the effort to obtain recognition and appreciation for the Arts at MBA.

It should be stated here and now that whatever opinions are expressed in any of the articles on this page represent no more than their authors' own belief. They do not necessarily represent the opinions of the editors of this page or this paper or those of the management of this school.

We hope to have several regular features on this page; we will have more regular features and special articles as we obtain more staff members. Those features now planned include the editor's column, THE BINOCULARI, "The Armchair Moviegoers' Guide for 1975," and perhaps a similar arrangement for records; a regular television review; and when possible a Guest Editorial on the Arts and Society written by a noted figure, usually one outside the immediate school family. We also plan to print some original poetry and short fiction.

At this moment we are short on staff members. WE NEED PEO-PLE to write book reviews, television and film reviews, drama reviews and articles, music reviews, and articles on general or specific topics related to the Arts. We also need WRITING to publish, particularly poetry and short fiction. If YOU wish to help, please attend our first meeting and/or get in touch with the editor.



APATHY AND ACTIVITY: A TIRADE

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By Bob Tosh

Quite a few members of last year's student body had, to be frank, a heck of a lot of gall to launch a supposed Biltrakrieg against established school policy in the form of a vague set of resolutions and a devil-may-care, terrificly officious article in this honorable column a few months ago. Rather than the hope-for dawning of a mild kind of Students' Riights Revolution, what took place in its stead was a pen-tio-pen, mouth-to-mouth battle either to defend haphazard, poorly executed tactics or to fight to the death to uphold "time-honored" institutions that gravely need updating.

In its aftermath two attitudes have become widespread: utter confusion, which is relatively easy to correct; and apathy, which is not so easy to correct.

Apathy has been a natural result of many an idealistic, ideological conflict in the past (viz., World War I, the antiwar movement, the McGovern campaign) in which a courageously fought battle ends in the opposite result and, hence, frustration. In the case of MBA's abortive Rights Revolution, apathy resulting from a temporary "defeat" may cause more damage to the school than any imagined ruin implied toward student activists' demands by opposition forces. This apathy might possibly be felt in any area from grades to participation in school activities to attendance at football games.

Alas, there is too much abstract criticism and too few concrete suggestions in this troubled world to provide anyone comfort from visions of Doomsday, dirty laundry, or other assorted fecal matters; a solution of sorts, however, is now humbly submitted to both factions of the conflict.

It is assumed that both sides, in order to reform or to defend, want a student body both interested in, and anxious for, the affairs and activities of MBA, indeed the very raison detre of the school. Then It is natural that students can only be interested in the school of the conflict.

For example, the administration greatly erred when it ceased publication of The Biue Guitar,

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Save the GAME

Today it seems that people are finally beginning to care about their environment and heritage. Therefore it is strange that no one around MBA appears to care about the decline and fall of one of our most cherished landmarks, one of the blocks-of-granite on which MBA was founded: General Athletics.

This past summer we have been faced by the collapse in the credibility of the executive branch of government, the horrors of strip mining, an attempt to save one of the few remaining natural areas around Nashville, and other signs of our deteriorating society. But the worst disaster is yet to come.

The General Athletics program may completely go by the boards this year. GA was originally formed for those students who lacked enough talent to participate in the varsity sports program. Later, under the direction of Mr. Terry Holeomb, Mr. Thomas Young, and Mr. Sam Turner, GA became highly enjoyable and fiercely competitive. The spirit of pure competition ran through all participants no matter what their athletic talent might have been.

Three years ago, when Holeomb left MBA, the Fall GA program suffered a complete collapse. Its demise is linked to that old demon Apathy. Holeomb had created the General Athletics Football League (GAFL), a wonderful concept which generated interest in GA touch football. Today Fall GA is dreaded more than anything except themes. This spring is going to be the crucial point for the General Athletics program at MBA. In the past few years the Spring GA program of basketball has become a highly competitive sport under the guidance of Young and Turner. They organized the General Athletics program at MBA. In the past few years the Spring GA program of basketball has become a highly competitive sport under the guidance of Young and Turner. They organized the General Athletics and teachers? What can be done to save the GABA and the General Athletics and teachers? What can be done to save the GABA and the General Athletics from Meaningless Extinction.

and teachers? What can be done to save the Grand Athletic program?

We must save General Athletics from extinction. Therefore I am forming a Save the General Athletics from Meaningless Extinction (Save the GAME) Fund. This fund is different from other non-profit organizations: We want no monetary contributions. All we want is some time from the teachers and some interest from the students, so that this non-profit fund shall profit us all.

Save General Athletics!

Sports Capsules

MBA's golf team captured the Junior Flight Tournament and state team title in June with led the opening round of the Walter Morgan, the NIL champ, placing third.

second place team, Johnson City.

Despite the loss of seniors Webb
Earthman, David Matthews, and
David McAlister, this year's squad
should have another outstanding
year. Leading the team will be
Morgan and Jamie Cowan as well as juniors Dan Earthman and Hugh Entrekin.



Walter Morgan holds his third

Tennessee State Junior golf tournament.

Hugh Entrekin won the first flight and the driving contest in the state tournament.

Garnett Reid was named to the all-NIL baseball team as a first baseman. He was a leading batter for the Nashville Shoetiques which competed in the World Series.

Series.

Eddie Gillum placed 11th in the
200-meter backstroke in the Junior Olympics at Ann Arbor, Mich.

Chess News

The chess team has been busy this summer although there have not been any school-related tour-

In July, Johnny Moore and Bruce Sterns participated in the Music City Summer Chess Tour-nament. Both finished respect-fully in the top half of the tour-nament.

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Sterns and Miller Batson have been contending with out-of-stat-ers in the Golden Nights Postal Chess Tournament. Competition is by mail with each participant simultaneously playing six op-ponents from all over the country.

Although hampered somewhat by the loss of president Sam Fentress and seniors Bill Harb-ison and Peter Jacobson, the team is confident that they will do well this coming year. Two bright prospects are junior Steve Ellis and senior Joel Koenig, who has been studying chess strategy and tactics this summer.

The last summer tournament was the Tennessee Open, Sep-tember 1-3.

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CHEERLEADERS

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Manor. She plans to attend either the University of Alabama or the University of Georgia.

Gayle Dunn hopes to attend Vanderbilt University and become a physiologist. She is chaplain for Kappa sorority and is the Delta Sigma national sweetheart. During the summer she had her French pen-pal "sister" Francoise Sarraf for a three-week visit. Gayle met her while spending her winterim term at the Sarraf's home in France.

The two juniors on the squad were busy travelling and were not in town at the time of the interview. Jencie Adams was in Canada for a month-and-s-half trip. She is a member of Kapps sorority. Dede Johnston was in Florida vacationing at press time. She has been a runner-up in the Miss Teenage Tennessee Pageant.

At the St. Louis camp for cheerleaders, our corps won the "most improved" award out of the thirty-two groups participating. Currey Turner said that they were the "movelty" of the camp. "We were the farthest from the St. Louis area. They found our Southern accent quite a novelty." Other than losing Amy Rich's suitcase the camp was a great success. "We learned about twentynew 'chanta' and six new 'major' cheers,' asid Marcia Severance. The girls even have a "Stuperfly" routine which will be uncorked during the halftime of a baaketball game.

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Only one obstacle seems to stand in the girls' path this year. Ellen Daugherty put it this way:
"We might have a little trouble with the stunts this year. It seems that all the boys are shorter than we are."

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